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For: CONNECTING MEMBER FOR CONNECTING CARRIER TAPES AND CARRIER TAPE
CONNECTING METHOD USING THIS CONNECTING METHOD

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Dear Sir:

On October 23, 2003, the attorney of record appeared for a personal interview with Examiner Lorengo. The purpose of the interview was a pre-examination review of the invention and the prior art so as to facilitate the Examiner's substantial understanding of the inventive concept. Actual prior art and inventive devices were demonstrated for splicing of ic device carrying tapes.

The drawings in the application were summarized for the Examiner relative to the physical exhibits shown.

There is no discussion of the merits of the claims during this pre-examination interview.

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